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Presented for filing is a new continuation patent application of:

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Title: LEPTIN INDUCED GENES

The prior application is assigned of record to Millennium Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a Delaware corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on February 12, 1999 at 9767/0345.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

| | <u>Pages</u> |
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| Claims | 8 |
| Abstract | 1 |
| Declaration | 2 |
| Drawing(s) | 16 |

Enclosures:

- Form PTO-1449, 2 pages, and PTO-892, 1 page, listing documents cited in the parent application(s). **Please confirm that these have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the examiner's initials.**

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- Preliminary amendment, 2 pages.
- Request Under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e) To Transfer Computer Readable Form; Paper copy of Sequence Listing from parent application.
- Copy of Petition for Extension of Time filed in parent application.
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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/195,896, filed November 19, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of application serial number 09/150,857, filed September 10, 1998, which claims priority from provisional application serial number 60/106,378, filed October 29, 1998. The disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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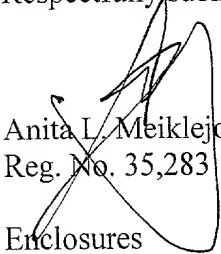
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